the parent of such student, or of the management of the school. shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and be fined not exceeding fifty Misdemeanor. dollars nor imprisoned more than thirty days, at the discretion Punishment. of the court.

Sec. 2. This act shall be in force and effect from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 1st day of March, A. D. 1915.

CHAPTER 142.

AN ACT TO AMEND CHAPTER 241, PRIVATE LAWS OF 1913, RELATIVE TO COMPULSORY SCHOOL LAW FOR DIS-TRICT No. 1 OF SYLVA TOWNSHIP IN JACKSON COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. That chapter two hundred and forty-one, Private Laws of one thousand nine hundred and thirteen, be and the same is hereby repealed, and the following substituted therefor, towit:

"Section 1. That every person residing in District Number One, Persons having Sylva Township, and having under his or her control a child or attendance. children between the ages of eight and sixteen years, shall cause School age. such child or children to attend some public school in said district, and such attendance shall continue during the school term; and Attendance during for every neglect of such duty the person offending shall be guilty Misdemeanor. of a misdemeanor, and shall be punished as hereinafter provided: Provided, that an occasional absence from such attendance by such Proviso: occachild or children amounting to not more than two unexcused absences in four consecutive weeks shall not be unlawful: Pro- Proviso: excuse by rided further, that the superintendent, principal, or teacher in charge of such school may excuse any child for a temporary absence because of an unusual storm or bad weather, sickness or death in the child's family, unforeseen or unavoidable accident, and such excuse or reason therefor shall be recorded by said superintendent, principal, or teacher in charge of said school and reported to the attendance officer as hereinafter provided: Pro-Proviso: illness vided further, that in case of protracted illness of any child whose attendance is required under this act, or in case of quarantine of the home in which the child resides, upon satisfactory evidence to this effect the attendance officer shall excuse from attendance such a child until he is fully restored to health or until the time required by law that he shall stay out of school after quarantine has been raised.

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"Sec. 2. That it shall be the duty of every parent, guardian, or Reports of cause other person in said district having under his or her care a child of absence.